

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

re Application of: Foerster et al.

Serial No: 08/858,389

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For: METHODS AND DEVICES FOR MARKING

AND DEFINING TISSUE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Office Action of May 12, 1998, please amend the above identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 19-34, without prejudice to the right of Applicant to refile these claims in a divisional application.

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

1. (amended) A devige for marking a particular tissue area within a human body to identify [a selected location] said particular tissue area for a later diagnostic or therapeutic procedure, comprising:

a discrete marker element; [and]

an apparatus for remotely delivering said marker element from outside the